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C O N F I D E N T I A L STOCKHOLM 2160

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SUBJECT: NEW FRENCH DCM FOR HANOI

1. PHILIPPE BAUDE HAS DEPARTED STOCKHOLM WHERE HE WAS FRENCH DCM FOR SEVERAL YEARS, TO TAKE UP THE SAME JOB IN HANOI AFTER ABOUT A MONTH IN PARIS.

2. BAUDE WAS A GOOD FRIEND OF DCM JACK PERRY AND IS AN ABLE, INTELLIGENT DIPLOMAT, WELL DISPOSED TO THE UNITED STATES. HE IS AN OLD FRIEND OF ETIENNE MANACH AND AN ASIAN HAND; ALSO A FRIEND OF THE PRESENT FRENCH AMBASSADOR IN HANOI, WHO ASKED FOR HIS SERVICES.

3. BAUDE'S FIRST WIFE WAS AMERICAN AND HE HAS OLDER "FRANCO-AMERICAN" CHILDREN. HE HAS BEGUN A NEW FAMILY WITH HIS PRESENT COMPANION, CLAUDINE MEUNIER, WHO IS TRAVELING WITH HIM TO HANOI.

4. ALTHOUGH WE RECOGNIZE HOW BUSY THINGS ARE AT EMBASSY PARIS, SO THAT TIME MAY NOT SUFFICE FOR SEEING BAUDE, IN VIEW OF HIS FRIENDLY ATTITUDE TO THE US WE THOUGHT WE WOULD MENTION HIS STAY IN PARIS IN CASE EITHER THE DEPARTMENT OR EMBASSY PARIS WANTED TO PUT SOME QUESTIONS TO HIM. BAUDE IS KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT
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US-VIETNAMESE RELATIONS, AND IF CONTACT WERE MADE ON A FRIENDLY BASIS, WE BELIEVE HE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN US VIEWS BEFORE HEADING FOR HANOI.
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